

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application. The Examiner rejected claims 1-4 and 8-10, and objected to claims 5-7. Applicants have canceled claims 1, 2, 4, and 9-10 and amended claims 3, 5-6, and 8 in order to better define the claimed invention and correct grammatical errors. Applicants herein traverse the Examiner's rejections of claims.

Allowed Claims

The Examiner objected to claims 5-7 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 5-7 have been rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and all intervening claims and are now allowable. Claims 3 and 8 have been amended to depend from claim 5 and therefore is allowable for at least the same reasons as in claim 5.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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